

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1102

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Roy Dozier, Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards honoree.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should specially recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated their time and energies toward enhancing the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Roy Dozier, who is being honored at the Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards in recognition of the leadership and service he has provided to the people of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, a spiritual leader as well as business leader in his community, Mr. Dozier has been a pastor for twenty-one years and owned a construction cleanup company as well as Employment Training & Technology Centers, Inc., with five locations in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, Roy Dozier served in Vietnam, where he led a combat squad for thirteen months, receiving a Purple Heart for his efforts in this capacity; he thereafter attended Nuclear, Biological, & Chemical (NBC) Warfare School and managed the Company (E co., 2nd Battalion, 8th Marines) NBC storage and supply facility; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dozier proudly donned the garb of the Marine Corps from 1965 to 1969, and since his time in service, he has held multiple leadership positions in the Veterans of Foreign Wars organization; and

WHEREAS, returning to civilian life, Roy Dozier obtained certification in Computer Programming (COBOL, RPF, FORTRAN) from the Electronic Computer Programming Institute in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1969 and received his Associate of Science degree in Accounting Technology from State Technical Institute at Memphis in 1975; and

WHEREAS, in 1982, he came on board as a salesman with Control Data Institute in Memphis, responsible for recruiting students for computer training courses; he was promoted to Assistant Director after growing the institute beyond capacity of the original site and, ultimately, became Regional Sales Representative, helping with the expansion of Fair Break Centers into Mississippi, Alabama, and South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, from 1996 to 1998, Mr. Dozier led a team of five salespeople, four technicians, and two assistants as Corporate Sales Manager at Computer City; his was the second-fastest team to go from startup to goal in corporate sales, behind only the New York City team. At the time the company was sold, the Memphis branch was second in the nation in profit margins; and

WHEREAS, a leader in his community, Mr. Dozier has chaired the boards of Memphis Health Centers, Inc., and Operation Stand Down Mid-South, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Roy Dozier has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity; his commitment to excellence and community service is representative of the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Roy Dozier upon his recognition at the Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards, applaud his outstanding community leadership, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and extend our best wishes for continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.